

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2006  
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Chris Fields, Darrin McGowan, John Byrne, Brian Sheehan, and Mike Pavey answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Julie Newhouse.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the November 21, 2006 meeting were presented for approval. Byrne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- I have e-mailed the Department Heads requesting that they contact me to set up an appointment with Stu Rhoades from Ameresco. Rhoades will make arrangements to have an energy audit done at each of your facilities. If Ameresco finds significant areas where savings could be made through the purchase of energy savings mechanisms in the building they will return and make a presentation to the Qty Council informing them how they can finance the project, using revenue generated from the energy savings to purchase the devices without costing the City anything.
- I will be meeting with personnel from INDOT tomorrow to discuss if the traffic signal is still warranted at 7<sup>th</sup> & Main Street. They have indicated they have done an analysis and the current traffic situation indicates little or no need for the traffic signal. I need your comments e-mailed to me before noon tomorrow, as I will be meeting with INDOT after lunch.
- Bill Todd asked me to inform you that RMH has acquired .212 acres from First Indiana Bank, just west of the bank building. They intend to install a drive for the exclusive use of emergency and delivery vehicles. This access will be off of Conrad Harcourt Way. I have brought a map that you may use to give you more information of the proposed plan. Tony, Kent, and I met with Brad Smith, CEO of RMH, today on an unrelated matter and he informed us of the proposal. We had no problem with the proposal, but would welcome any comment from the Council at this time.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \***

Copley reminded the Department Heads of the meeting on December 12 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall to go over revisions to the handbook policy. She also informed

them that HR Unlimited would like to do job description interviews December 28 and 29.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS \* \* \***

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Police** – Fudge handed out his month end report and said they answered 522 calls for the month.

**Fire** – Clark said they answered 68 calls in November. 42 of those calls were EMS and 26 were fire calls.

**Animal** – Hill handed out his month end report. He also said that the new furnace was not working properly. He has called Marlatt.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS \* \* \***

Pavey was asked if the City had a dangerous animal ordinance. He has spoken with Tony Fudge and Fudge is looking into the matter.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**GIS Bid** – Bridges recommended going with WTH. He said it was a little higher, but the service offered was much better, they have more experience, and they update the data every night. Pavey made a motion to accept the bid of WTH. Sheehan seconded. Motion carried with Fields voting Nay.

**Annexation Claims** – Byrne made a motion to approve the annexation claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Byrne also made a motion to approve a change order on Phase A for a deduction of \$1,486.00. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Lighting Bid Animal Shelter** – The following 2 bids were received:

1. Rosfeld Electric - \$3,458.39
2. Sallee Brothers - \$2,500.00

Byrne made a motion to accept the bid from Sallee Brothers. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Request to Carry Forward Money** – Mathews asked permission to carry forward \$5,000.00 from matching funds for handicap playground equipment. Mathews stated that he is applying for a grant. Byrne made a motion to allow Mathews to carry forward the \$5,000.00. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Utility 2007 Budget** – Les Day presented the utility budget for approval. He informed Council that EMC's contract has been reduced by \$145,000.00. Sheehan made a motion to approve the utility budget for 2007. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2006-29** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the submittal of the Community Development Block Grant and to reduce our match by 11% de-obligating the local match. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Fields made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before Council, Byrne made a motion to adjourn. Pavey seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

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ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER